RESOLUTION NO. 15-630

WHEREAS, the City Council and the Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are apprised that Chief Lewis Morris will retire from the Huntsville Police Department after 38 years of dedicated service effective September 1, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, Chief Morris began his career with the Huntsville Police Department in 1976 as a Patrol Officer and worked his way through the ranks, holding such positions as Police Investigator, Police Sergeant, Police Lieutenant, Police Captain, and Deputy Chief of Police. He became Chief of Police in 2012, when he was appointed by Mayor Tommy Battle; and,

WHEREAS, Chief Morris has held other important roles throughout his career in law enforcement; he has served as Departmental Liaison to the Chief's Task Force on Recruiting and Hiring, as a member of the Better Business Bureau Fraud Alert Team, and has also served on the City of Huntsville Finance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, he has also received many awards during his tenure with the Huntsville Police Department: Department Meritorious Service Award for Homicide Investigation (1994), Meritorious Service Medal for Outstanding Performance in planning, opening, and operating the Huntsville Police Department West Precinct (2001), Distinguished Expert Marksmanship Award, Good Conduct Medal, Huntsville Community Watch Association Award for Outstanding Support (2000), along with several letters of recognition, appreciation, and commendation from the Madison County District Attorney for outstanding work, resulting in the successful prosecution of criminal cases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, gratefully acknowledge, congratulate, and extend best wishes to Chief Lewis Morris in honor of his retirement after 38 years of outstanding service with the City of Huntsville. May you have continued success in all future endeavors.

ADOPTED on this the 27th day of August, 2015.

President of the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED on this the 27th day of August, 2015.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama